Lester Drager 2-10-98

The funeral for Lester Lyle Drager, age 69, was held Friday, December 4, 1998 at the Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Groton. Pastor Steve Swenson and Pastor Ann Maldoon officiated. Burial was held on Monday at the Black Hills National Cemetery near Sturgis. Military rites were conducted by the Sturgis VFW. The Hein Funeral Home of Ipswich was in charge of the arrangements.

He died at Colonial Manor nursing home in Groton on December 1 where he had been a resident for the past month.

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Corp. He served in the Asiatic Pacific area. After his discharge from the Marines he returned to this area. He worked at Malchows, Sears and the Singer Sewing Machine Company in Aberdeen. He retired and moved into Groton nine years ago. He was a member of the Aberdeen VFW and he was a disabled veteran.

He is survived by one sister, Darlene Glaseman, of Ipswich.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two sisters (one in infancy).

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